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REMARKS

In the Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner updated the Related Applications section beginning on line 3 of page 1 of the specification to include an updated application status for each of the applications to which the current application claims priority. Applicants note, however, that the first application to which the current application claims priority is still pending and is not, according to the Examiner, abandoned. Applicants have therefore amended the first paragraph of the specification accordingly.

The specification has additionally been amended in order to properly refer to figure number 8A-8D of the formalized drawings submitted on June 18, 2002. A copy of the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification is enclosed herewith.

No new matter has been added by virtue of the amendments contained herein. Because the amendments are made solely in an effort to 1) properly reflect the status of applications to which the current application claims priority; and 2) properly reflect correct reference to drawing subparts, it is believed that no substantial amount of work is required on the part of the PTO upon entry. Entry of these amendments is thus respectfully requested.

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